

ANNUAL CHAMBER COMMERCE MEETING!

SPLENDID REPORTS FROM CHAMBER DEPARTMENTS

President Haswell, Secretary Eberstadt and Committee Chairmen Make Satisfactory Reports For Bryan Activities on Tuesday Night In Annual Meeting.

At the close of the annual meeting of the Bryan and Brazos County Chamber of Commerce the report of the election committee for 1922 directors, Jno. M. Lawrence, chairman; E. J. Jenkins, J. N. Dulaney, Travis B. Bryan, and F. L. Cavitt, which result was announced by Secretary Eberstadt as follows: R. O. Allen, Dr. W. B. Bizzell, W. S. Baron, Wilson Bradley, Travis B. Bryan, W. H. Cole, J. N. Dulaney, Judge H. O. Ferguson, E. J. Fountain, J. M. Gordon, Tyler Haswell, J. Webb Howell, F. L. Henderson, E. J. Jenkins, John M. Lawrence, T. K. Lawrence, J. D. Martin, Oak McKenzie, E. E. McAdams, Major L. L. McInnis, Lee J. Rountree, A. M. Waldrop, M. E. Wallace, R. S. Webb and D. L. Wilson.

PRESIDENT HASWELL CALLS ANNUAL MEETING.
President Tyler Haswell, of the Bryan and Brazos County Chamber of Commerce, called the annual meeting to order at the district court room Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock after the Bryan Junior Band had rendered several inspiring selections under the leadership of Director Alois Slovacek which were greeted with applause. President Haswell extended welcome to all and made a happy speech regarding the work of the Chamber of Commerce, but declared the new directors and organization for 1922 showing a splendid balance of \$1,927.69 after all outstanding and better in all lines. Secretary S. E. Eberstadt in making his report said he had to have more time than had been granted him and proceeded to give an account of his stewardship for the past year. The report is published in full in the Eagle today so that those who were unfortunate enough not to be present can read it. Treasurer J. N. Dulaney made the financial report for 1922 showing a splendid balance of \$1,927.69 after all outstanding obligations had been paid. The following reports of the standing committees were made by Chairmen D. L. Wilson, highway; A. M. Waldrop, educational; Sam B. Wilson, trade extension; J. D. Martin, agricultural; E. J. Fountain, civic improvement; Jno. M. Lawrence, finance and membership; Oak McKenzie, entertainment. These reports will be published in full in the Eagle Thursday and they were splendid.

BRYAN BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION.
President W. H. Cole, of the Bryan Building and Loan Association, made a great report of the work of the Association since its organization about thirty months ago. It contained some high points regarding home building in Bryan and will be very interesting reading for every citizen of Bryan and College. This was followed by another inspiring and laudable report made by President George A. Adams of the Bryan Cemetery Association. County Agent C. L. Beason made a good report as county agent of Brazos county and it will also appear in print in the Eagle. The full printing of all of these reports has been adopted so that the people of Brazos County can read them and study them for the great work the Chamber of Commerce has been doing. These reports will be worth preserving as they appear in the Eagle.

Prof. Daniel Scoates, of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas spoke on "The Agricultural Engineer and Brazos County." He gave some splendid illustrations of what was needed on the farms of Brazos county. "I did not know myself the great work that was being done although I had read the accounts in the Bryan Eagle and heard of its achievements and there seems little for the incoming board to do. It has been a great year for the Chamber of Commerce." He said unless the farmer had money the country was not prosperous. The farm homes need water, lights and conveniences and the farm needs better cattle, tractors, cultivators and more ideal conditions for home making. Prof. Scoates urged a definite program for diversified farming in Brazos county. President Haswell complimented Professor Scoates on his many good suggestions.

Superintendent Madison Hall, of the Bryan Public schools, made a plea for more equipment and better buildings for the children. Prof. Hall favored a Junior High school and stated that the new educational demands made this imperative. He wanted better physical equipment and an athletic director which would mean a better developed citizenship, both men and women for the future. Supt. Hall called Mr. C. M. Bethany to speak for the West End school.

ing Secretary Eberstadt to go to Conroe, Austin, Nacogdoches and Dallas with the team and act as business manager. Secretary Eberstadt stated that the Saturday Evening Post would send a special representative to Tabor during the Short Course and give a page writeup of that community for its successful activities which would cost \$2,400 in regular advertising rate in the Post. This statement had been conveyed to him by County Superintendent Eck Smith.

President Haswell's Address.
President Tyler Haswell said: "It is expected of your president to make a speech, and I asked our secretary to prepare one and after reading what he wrote decided it was of too great a length and that I would express my own thought. You all know what has been done by the 'Chamber of Commerce' the past twelve months and I am sure the reports of our committees will show this. We have not accomplished as much as I would like to have but this has been an off year in many respects. With the energetic secretary we have, nothing has come up that he has not done his part and more. He is always on the job to promote the interest of our little city and county. With me it is not so much what has been done but what can be done in the future to make our town and county more progressive and more desirable to live in and I wish to say that at all times I am willing to serve the people in any capacity to accomplish this. I thank the members of the chamber of commerce for selecting me as a member of their directors for the past several terms, and especially to the out-going board for choosing me as your president and for their able cooperation in what may have been accomplished the past year for the credit is due them. My only desire is to serve the people where I may be best fitted, my talent is not that of an orator. Since our competent secretary is gifted with many qualifications, I will leave it to him to tell you what a valuable organization the chamber of commerce is to the town and county. He is a race horse wherever you put him, always rearing to go if it be for the betterment of the community. The secretary's report with those from the different chairmen of the committees will cover the activities of the club for the past year. Our entertainment committee has promised us a short and snappy program for the evening and I will leave it to them. Assuring all of my willingness to help make this one of the best towns in the state, I thank you."

Secretary Eberstadt's Report.
I beg to submit herewith my annual report of work performed by me, as secretary Bryan and Brazos County Chamber of Commerce, from January 15, 1921 to January 15, 1922.
Number of letters sent out, 2,773. Number of papers and circulars sent out, 6,600. Number of Chamber of Commerce receipts and stubs made out, 4,872. Secured rent houses, light house keeping apartments, rooms and board for men, women and children, 365. Wrote personal letters to 80 farmers for Sapiro meeting. Wrote letters to every secretary of Chamber of Commerce from Houston to Fort Worth to secure their assistance in trying to have the I. & G. N. night train restored. Assisted in the arrangement and entertainment of Hoods' Brigade Reunion, Teachers Institute, House and Senate Appropriation Committee banquet. Reception for new professors at A. & M., Allen Academy and Bryan schools. For the institute made 52 gallons of fruit punch and for the professors' reception made 75 gallons and thereby saved the chamber of commerce the sum of at least \$60. On invitation from presidents of chamber of commerce and with the consent of President Haswell, assisted chamber of commerce of Calvert, Thorndale, and Cameron in perfecting stronger organizations also attended "Get Together" meeting at Navasota, and at each and every place I made it first and foremost to boost Bryan, A. & M. College, Allen Academy and Villa Maria. Assisted the Parent Teachers' Association in pulling off a tag day. Managed tag day for Bryan high football team and Bryan Junior band, securing the sum of \$180. Made a thirty

HARRY M. CRENSHAW IS HONORED AT S. M. U.

Harry M. Crenshaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Crenshaw, of Bryan returned to Southern Methodist University at Dallas and according to the Dallas News of Tuesday, which contains a splendid picture of Harry, he was elected vice-president of the senior class. Harry is a member of the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity and is very active in all the work of the university.

minute talk at Mineral Wells at Rotary luncheon, subject Bryan Commission Form of Government and Bryan Chamber of Commerce. Went with the Steep Hollow and Tabor schools to A. & M. College for sight seeing trip over College. Went with Tabor community Welfare Club to A. & M. College advertising Tabor Fair. Adversited the Agricultural Engineering Snow at A. & M. College and attended same. Assisted in organizing Brazos County Pure Bred Live Stock Association, painted signs for said association and assisted in delivering stock on arrival. With County Agent C. L. Beason visited schools in all parts of Brazos county and also meetings of the different communities of a night. Went out to Tabor day before fair and arranged exhibits and decorated their booths also painted signs used at the fair and spent day at fair rendering any and every assistance in my power.

I spent three days in succession on the King of Trails getting a detour road in the Brazos bottoms as the main roads had been closed and all tourists were being sent via Huntsville and Temple, thereby causing the loss of tourists trade in Bryan. Spent the first day getting the consent of bottom planters who live in Navasota to give the right of way and was accorded splendid cooperation in every way. The second day while the secretary from Navasota was looking after the grading of the road, Dud White and I dug post holes, barb wire fences, and marked detour with signs at every angle or turn in the road. I painted 22 signs. The third day with Dud White and D. L. Wilson spent almost the entire day digging holes on the main gravelled road for posts to place the turn fence and gate and it was a hot July day and I believe that President Haswell will substantiate these remarks for he passed on his way taking back his handsome new car. We invited him to join us in the post digging pleasure, all of which he gracefully declined. This detour was kept opened during the time the concrete was being laid on the main highway. I went over there several times and looked after the markers and condition of road. This detour shortened the distance from Bryan to Navasota ten miles from the way travel had to go otherwise via. Dinkins, which was a very bad road. One thing of great importance to Brazos county developed from my going down on detour road matter. On a trip to Navasota conversation with Ward Templeman we decided that the concrete road of fifteen feet was too narrow and we got busy, he through Senator H. N. Lewis and I through Representative Lee J. Rountree, and in twenty four hours we had the promise of every member of the highway commission and highway engineer to give Brazos county \$8,000 more on that road to make it 17 feet wide instead of 15 feet.

Gave every particular attention to federal students who are attending A. & M. and saw that each and every one secured good accommodations in Bryan and rendered them many other valuable assistance. Secured accommodation for vocational teachers, house keeping, board and lodging in every case. I only looked after the welfare of the student or new comer to Bryan and never at any time did I show any favoritism as to where I sent them, and this service was rendered each and every one without one cent of expense whatsoever.

Read thirty papers acting as one of the judges in contest for prizes offered to Tabor school for best paper on "Trip to A. & M. College."

MARRIAGE LICENSES FOR BRAZOS COUNTY

The following marriage licenses were issued by County Clerk McSwain of Brazos County since our last report: Henry Manthei and Heady Jeske, Fred Robson and Mamie Jackson, Roger Callotte and Mary Restivo, Clarence Griffin and Mary Ella Guse, Ludwig Joseph Falgean and Lillie Artie Manly, Dennis Terrell and Roberta Blake, Jennine B. Moss and Berta Timmons, Andres Artiz and Cesaria Simbrano, Jim Wilson and Maggie Nelson, and Sam McWhorter and Mary Walker.

Adolph Syptak and Norman Morgan of Wheelock were in town today and Mr. Syptak was a business visitor at the Eagle office.

000 and in doing this sold 1250 shares to 117 subscribers and explained the proposition to at least 300.

I have served as secretary of the Bryan Cemetery Association, writing letters, keeping the minutes and attending the meeting of the board of directors and rendering every assistance in my power to this organization.
Solicited funds for the Christmas Good Cheer.
Advised the meeting and sent circulars to all parts of Brazos county for the National Cash Register representative who gave an illustrated lecture on salesmanship, window decorating and farm home beautifying.
Served as business manager for the Bryan football team, and I believe Coach Hudson will substantiate same, when I say the service which I rendered him contributed in a large way to the winning of the State championship in that I took all the detail work off of him and all he had to do was to give the entire time to the team and I did the rest. I went with him to Conroe, Nacogdoches, Kyle Field, Austin, and Dallas. I checked all the tickets at restaurants to see if same was correct, at hotels, bought all tickets, paid all bills and held down the position as gate keeper at each and every race, and but might few passed the gate that didn't have a ticket. The only place they put one over me was at Austin but that bunch that rushed across the field didn't get in through the gate. I got the water cans, had them sterilized, put ice and water in the cans myself saw them on the pullman and off at Dallas and on to our rooms and to hotel table. In a word the Bryan High team didn't drink any other water after leaving Bryan until they broke training after they had won the State championship at Dallas.
Wrote letters during the year for farmers and any one who requested it. Painted signs, wrote cards for ag and every one that asked me to do so and at no time that I can recall did I ever say NO or that I won't or can't.

Attended to the correspondence for the chairmen of each of the eight standing committees.
Painted signs for exhibitors for the Brazos County Poultry Association.
Arranged, planned and put up the decorations for the banquet given by the Pastors' association to the Bryan High or Little Aggies.

This brought me up to a few days before Christmas and I felt that for the rest of the week I would take life good and easy when my phone rang on Wednesday before Christmas. Billie Fairman wanted to talk to me and was coming right to my office, he was going to pull off a Santa Claus stunt at the Dixie that afternoon and hadn't been able to get any one to play Santa, and I was the very one and strange to say I was the exact height, and he wanted me at 3 o'clock and only for thirty minutes. Well I couldn't say no, so at the specified time I was at the Dixie as old Santa Claus and about 500 children waiting for me. Every mother in Bryan was there with her little one or sent the child with the nurse. I kissed about 100 little fellows who wanted to kiss Santa Claus, shook hands and had 200 little girls beg old Santa to bring them dolls and basket balls, and about 200 little boys beg old Santa for footballs and at sold the entire second series of \$250.

WHITE MURDER CASES WERE REVERSED BY AUSTIN COURT TODAY

Sheriff Morehead received a telegram to Horace and Onie White, who were convicted in the Brazos county district and given twenty years for killing Dr. Ben Harrison in Grimes county, and tried here on a change of venue, stating their case had been reversed by the court of criminal appeals at Austin today. The telegram was from Attorney E. O. Berry, of Houston. The Whites have been in the Brazos county jail since March 13, 1921. The case now goes back to the district court which meets in February for another trial. The state, however, will have a few days in which to file a motion for a rehearing in the court at Austin.

SPEAKING AT EDGE.
Last Friday County Superintendent Eck Smith, H. A. Clapp, of College Port, and County Agent C. L. Beason visited the school at Edge under the supervision of P. S. Mangum and his able assistants, his wife, and Mrs. Mae Stevener Wilson. The visitors remained at the school until afternoon in order to attend a meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association. The community was well represented, there being representatives from 18 families present.

Mrs. W. R. Henry, president of the association, presided at the meeting and called on Prof. Mangum to state the purpose of the gathering. Among some of the things Mr. Mangum stated he desired the parents and friends of the school to undertake were the enlargement of the school grounds, a better library, the building of an auditorium to accommodate community meetings, and the building of a teacherage.

County Supt. Eck Smith and Mr. H. A. Clapp addressed the meeting. Mr. Clapp declaring it was the best attendance at a Parent-Teachers' meeting he had seen in Texas and complimented the cooperative spirit which seemed to prevail in that community for better school conditions. Preceding the Parent-Teachers' meeting, County Agent C. L. Beason spoke to the school in the interest of the club work, and from the number of enrollment cards given out Edge will have a live boys' and girls' club this year.

READY FOR CORN PLANTING.
Mr. I. M. Cook, of Steep Hollow, was in town today and states that farmers have about prepared their corn land for planting in his section of Brazos county. There is a splendid season for planting and Mr. Cook stated that the cotton question could be settled later as to the acreage to be planted.

INJURIES OF JOSEPH THOMAS.
The boy, Joseph Thomas, of College, who was injured in an unavoidable automobile accident by a car driven by Martin Merka, during the recent holidays is reported improving. The injuries were quite serious, but the Eagle trusts the little fellow will soon be fully recovered.

CROOKS AND HIJACKERS PASSING UP BRYAN

Sheriff Morehead and Chief Martin and deputies have been keeping a close watch on the criminal situation prevailing in sections of the state over the exodus of the crooks from Mexico where hundreds of them fled when martial law was declared. Chief Martin states that about fifteen refugees from Mexico passed through Bryan today on a box headed towards Houston. Sheriff Morehead, Chief Martin and deputies tell all these hijackers and crooks to "move on" hence there has been no depredations in Bryan. The Brazos county jail is yawning for any criminals who stop here but so far they have been giving Brazos county the go-by, thanks to the vigilance of our officers.

BASKET BALL

Texas Aggies vs. Rice Institute

Friday and Saturday, January 20-21

Kyle Field, College Station, Texas

Games Called at 7:40 p. m.

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RATES—DAILY	
By Carrier—In Advance:	
One month	2.25
Three months	6.75
Six months	12.00
One year	22.50
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One year	22.50

MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATED PRESS

There is plenty of work to do in fact more than ever before known. There is no excuse for loafers, idlers, crooks and hi-jackers in Texas. Go to work.

Coach Bible did not arrive with the team yesterday morning. He had business in Fort Worth. Dana seems to like Cowntown for some reason. He never goes to Dallas but that he stops off there.—Jinx Tucker in Waco-News Tribune.

Editor Fred M. Herndon, of the Thorndale Champion says: "O, well put up your hammer and buy a horn." After Fred had published a column of complimentary endorsements of a fellow-townsmen the fellow stood on the streets and knocked on Fred's Wonderful.

Tom Connolly defends the agricultural bloc against its Eastern enemies. But, look here, Tom. If the privileges can't exploit the farmers, what is the use of having privileges? There's nobody else to rob.—Houston Post.

The Houston Post of January 17, 1897, "Twenty-five years ago" says: "Dallas.—The coming of William J. Bryan is on nearly every Dallas tongue. His political foes seem as anxious to see and hear him as are his friends."

A pretty little golden-haired girl at Hearn's the other day came running in the house in great excitement. "Oh, mother," she cried. "We've had the most wonderful day. We saw a snake; we smeared a skunk; watched a lot of Mexia hi-jackers in a box car, and we met Aunt Mary!"

There haven't been any bank robberies in Fort Worth, and if you'll think a little while you'll know why. Bank robbers always ride in automobiles and wear diamonds, and they will not take the risk of having their autos and diamonds stolen by Fort Worth hi-jackers.—Houston Post.

All the big Northern college teams want to play our Aggies. Take 'em all on, A. and M., and make 'em all come to Texas, assuring them that Houston will have brides all ready for the dangerous visiting stars for the weddings just before the games.—Houston Post.

A farmer at Bartlett, Williamson county is reported to have recently killed a hog that netted \$60. He sold 200 pounds of sausage, 230 pounds of lard and 120 pounds of meat, from the sale of which he received enough money to pay his taxes for last year and the insurance on his house for this year, besides having a lot of the meat left for his own use.

The Bryan Eagle is always happy to reprint any and all published tributes to citizens of Bryan and Brazos County for any achievements for the good of the community, wedding announcements or comments from other newspapers of a complimentary nature. The Eagle is always glad to give honor and recognition where it is due to every worthy citizen. In fact it is a strong believer in "Flowers for the Living Club."

Says the Quanah Tribune-Chief: "All kinds of astounding stories regarding the manufacture of booze are being told. We shall repeat only one, which may be of interest to Quanah people. It is said that the biggest still in the county is found within two blocks of the courthouse." Appreciating the native rivalry that must exist between the various communities in this important activity, we are waiting with interest to hear from other sections of the county.—Fort Worth Star Telegram.

The Waco News-Tribune says: "According to one report, that Limestone county deputy sheriff who reached for his gun when a Texas Ranger started to arrest him is still alive. Ordinarily we believe everything we see in the papers, but occasionally our credulity is taxed to the limit." The Texas Ranger was Captain Frank Hamar. It is lucky that Frank Hamar didn't believe the deputy sheriff would shoot. Frank Hamar went up there to clean up Mexia and the Eagle knows him well enough to know he is going to do it. Frank Hamar never saw a crook or a law-breaker that he was afraid of and he has viewed them from the two oceans and from the Gulf to the Great Lakes.

The Eagle understands that since the publication was made in the Eagle several days ago that during the excitement incident to the victory of the Texas Aggies over the Kentucky Colonels Dr. W. B. Bizzell, president of A. and M. College, actually tore up his hat that a letter has been received in Bryan from Dallas stating that Dr. Bizzell is being sent by express a perfectly good new hat. The Eagle will make some investigations and have more to say later about this new hat and its origin. In the meantime we rejoice that Dr. Bizzell will not be required to go hatless this summer on account of his football enthusiasm over the great victory over the Centre champions. P. S.—It is hoped that Dr. Bizzell will receive quite a number of new hats.

DEFENDS GOVERNOR NEFF.

(Mrs. W. E. Cooke in Victoria Fact.) A news story from Bastrop regarding the Christmas hunt of Gov. Pat M. Neff and party in the Colorado bottom, says: "Three 'possums and one armadillo made up the total bag of a hunt participated in by about one hundred hunters and a score of dogs. With the governor were Mrs. Neff, their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Neff, their son, Pat Neff, Jr., Secretary of State S. L. Staples and Mrs. Staples. The rest of the party came from Bastrop, Smithville and surrounding country. The hunters entered the woods about 8 o'clock last night and were abroad until far after midnight. The governor and his family, with Mr. and Mrs. Staples, went back to Austin by automobile, the governor vowing despite his long hike through the brush to be back in his office as usual at 7 o'clock this morning. Tireless as was Governor Neff in following the hounds, Mrs. Neff, Mrs. Staples, Miss Neff and a number of other women in the party, were equally indefatigable." It is stated that Governor Neff was always for the 'possum and that he wanted him to be given a chance. The story continues "High on the topmost branch of a cedar tree clung a frightened, sullen 'possum. The tree was one of a dense thicket in the hills somewhere southwest of Bastrop. Underneath the night-prowling rodent's lofty refuge stood Governor Pat M. Neff. He, the governor, struck a meditative attitude, with hands in coat and looked up at the 'possum. He was silent as the quarry itself. Governor Neff afterward declared that it was not much satisfaction for the 'possum to have one hundred hunters and one hundred dogs after him at the same time." At least the 'possum was not tied. Most hunters who go out on such chases have the game tied for them the day before. The only mistake the Bastrop 'possum made was being in that vicinity when the party came. If they had not been 'possums and had read the newspapers they would have been elsewhere. Nobody (except Governor Neff) seems to care whether the 'possums had a fair chance or not.—Bryan Eagle.

The fact Governor Neff did care and said "the 'possum did not have a fair chance," proves his strength, force of character, kindness of heart in which God sits enthroned, as it's only those who have the God love, the love of right in their hearts who consider the rights of every living creature, all of which are God's creation. Governor Neff's policy of "fair chance" distinguishes him and makes him the best man, the Christian gentleman and best governor Texas has ever had. It's principle which prompts such utterances as came from the lips of Pat M. Neff regarding the poor little hunted and treed 'possum. Yes, Governor Neff believes in "fair chase" for every one, everything, everywhere.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

(Houston Post Jan. 16, 1897.) Among the prominent citizens of Texas to serve on the reception committee and to sit on the platform at the William J. Bryan speaking in the auditorium are: Former Senator John H. Reagan of Austin, Former Governor Ross of Bryan, Former Governor Hubbard of Tyler; T. M. Campbell of Palestine, J. S. Rice, Thomas H. Ball, Major Whitley and Col. Smith of Huntsville, Allison Mayfield, L. J. Storey and Ed M. House of Austin, Robert G. Street, Frank M. Spencer, Guy M. Bryan, Jr., John Lovejoy, Robert Weber, Arthur Bornefield and James McDonald of Galveston and Guy M. Bryan of Brazoria. Mr. Bryan had just been defeated for the presidency by William McKinley and

TRIBUTE TO MRS. ROUNTREE.

Editor Fred M. Herndon, of the Thorndale Champion says: "There is just one thing the Champion does not like about the faculty of A. & M. College giving Editor Lee Rountree that handsome watch and chain. After doing this the faculty should have as ceremoniously given a diamond-studded necklace to Mrs. Rountree, the one person who was responsible for Lee's good work on the educational appropriations committee at Austin and the one person who takes upon her shoulders the responsibility of issuing the Daily Eagle while Lee is away from home on his business missions for Bryan and College interests, and who by the way, puts out just as good, or perhaps a little better, paper than Lee does when he is at home. The trouble is we too often forget those who do the work and make the sacrifices."

TWO YOUNG MEN.

(Houston Post, Jan. 16, 1897.) Austin, Jan. 16, 1897.—Hon. L. T. Dashiell, of Leon County, the new speaker of the Twenty-fifth Legislature is not yet 28 years of age. He has shown marked ability as a presiding officer.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 16, 1897.—In selecting a chief clerk of the House of Representatives the only candidate recommended was Lee J. Rountree, a newspaper man of Kyle, who did excellent work for the party in the late campaign as a member of the State Executive committee. He is a capable young man and will give conscientious attention to all his duties.

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO.

The Houston Post of January 13, 1896, "Twenty five years ago" says: "Austin, Jan. 13, 1896.—Staff Correspondence of the Post: Representative Jacob F. Wolters of Fayette county is a young man who promises to be of some prominence in the House of Representatives of the Texas legislature. He made his maiden speech nominating Lee J. Rountree for chief clerk of the house. Chief Clerk Rountree is editor of the Kyle Star-Vindicator, born and reared at Kyle but now lives at Bryan. Mr. Wolters paid a handsome tribute to the Post in the course of his speech. Representative Wolters is now commanding the Texas National Guard."

"Good Roads to Mexia Assured" is a headline. It seems that they all got there in time to weep roads or no roads.

GOOD PROGRAM FOR TEXAS.

(John R. Lunsford in Temple Mirror.)

Reclamation and conservation is the keynote of a good New Year message sent out by Hon. Lee J. Rountree editor of the Bryan Eagle. He opens his message with the announcement that years ago he had dreams of seeing Texas develop into a great manufacturing commonwealth but with the flight of years has become convinced that the mission of this state is to give its closest and greatest attention to stock raising and agriculture. While not agreeing with the Brazos county statesman wholly as to the delinquency of Texas in its attractions for manufacturing industries, the Mirror heartily indorses his program for the conservation of the waste waters and the reclamation of lands and the reforestation of the cut-over pine lands of East Texas. Enlarging his views upon these subjects he says: "Four great questions this year will confront the people in legislation, business and production:

"The impounding and saving of our flood waters to furnish irrigation for our arid lands, there being tens of thousands of acres of these idle lands richer than the valley of the Nile that will blossom like the rose, if put under water.

"To widen, deepen and straighten our streams, the Brazos, the Colorado, the Red River and other streams that overflow and build approved and sufficient levees to save millions of dollars worth of products every year.

"To drain and reclaim our swamp lands now under water that will produce the greatest crops ever known and increase the value of these lands fully 1,000 per cent, adding to production and taxable values.

"There are more than 5,000,000 acres of cut-over timber land in Texas that is today practically worthless for anything except the production of timber. This land is now unprotected and subject to the ravages of destructive fires that are destroying our future timber supply. This land is worthless for anything except timber and at the present rate of destruction and no system to reforest it in five years Texas will be without any home material to construct homes for the coming generation.

"Beyond question, Texas is adapted to these native sources of wealth and it should be the patriotic desire of every congressman, legislator, governor, business man, stockman, farmer, professional man and every citizen of Texas to do all in his power during the year 1922 and the coming years to bring about constructive measures that will develop our latent and sleeping resources through the impounding of the flood waters, irrigation, drainage and reclamation and reforestation of our timber lands, because the day of cheap lands has gone in Texas."

GREAT PECAN ORCHARD.

Sunshine Joe Webb, of the Waco News-Tribune says: "Lee Rountree sends us copies of his Bryan Eagle telling about the establishment of the world's largest pecan orchard in the Brazos bottoms. And if the growing of pecans of that kind will reduce the number of human pecans, we're strongly in favor of the project." The details we will let Sunshine Joe work out. We only wanted him to know where the world's largest pecan orchard was located. This Felker orchard of 50 acres and Ben Fly's 75 acre orchard at Victoria will give us a chance for plenty of pecans in a short time. Dean E. J. Kyle, of A. and M. College, passes around enough pecans occasionally just to make us hungry. We must have more pecans.

JOHN EXPLAINS TO SAM.

Down around John Esten Cooke's home at Rockdale they have a highway known as the B. V. D. highway paralleling the I. & G. N. right-of-way. It may be warm enough down in that country to have a B. V. D. highway, but some days it would be just a little airy up there.—Sam Braswell in Clarendon News.

Yes, about nine months in the year, Sam; but we don't want to sail under any false colors, and to keep you out of possible trouble should you drive down this way, please remember the B. V. D. refers strictly to the highway and not to any style of uniform the driver is supposed to wear.—Rockdale Reporter.

WONDERFUL.

A Corsicana girl, through marriage to a great uncle—a widower whose first wife had been a sister to the grandmother of the bride—has become the sister-in-law of her own grandmother who is still living. Her own mother's aunt; the great aunt of her brothers and sisters; the great-great-aunt of her own children, and her own grand niece.—Exchange.

The complexity of the above has "Who Hit Billy Patterson" and "How Old Is Ann" backed off the board. We trust the young woman is standing up under the strain of the situation fairly well.—Navasota Examiner-Review.

OLD MURDER CHARGE.

Montague, Texas, Jan. 12.—N. H. Culp, a former resident of Montague county, but for several years a citizen of Cook county, has been arrested on an indictment charging murder in connection with the killing of J. B. Romaine of Montague, fifteen years ago. One man has already been tried and acquitted of the charge upon which Culp was arrested. Romaine was killed in 1907.

There is more work to be done in the world than ever before and less of it being done. There is work for everybody. Just as long as half of the people in the world are not working the other half will have a hard time supporting them. Go to work.

BRAZOS COUNTY COTTON.

Special Agent Henry Crenshaw reports to January 1, 1922, the cotton ginned in Brazos county amounted to 7,225 bales as compared with 18,140 at the same date last year. There was only a 7 bale increase over a former report made by Mr. Crenshaw. The crop is about all reported so far as Brazos county is concerned.

FARM BUREAU MEETING BRAZOS COUNTY WAS HELD ON SATURDAY

Pursuant to announcement the members of the Brazos County Farm Bureau met at the court house in Bryan at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, January 14, to hear report of delegates who had been sent from this county to the state convention at Dallas, January 4-6. Charlie Merka, of Smetana; H. E. Pool, of Millican, and John Rychlik, of Wheelock, were the delegates from this county, and they reported a most satisfactory meeting. Mr. Pool declared it was one of the greatest meetings he had ever attended, saying that everything pointed conclusively to the fact that the Farm Bureau has past the experimental stage and is now a working reality, needing only the cooperation of farmers and business men to make it the timely "life-line" for the farmer and the mightiest factor for the development of agriculture. Speaking on the progress of marketing the delegates stated that reports showed that none of the cotton sold by the Farm Bureau had brought less than 19 cents, middling basis, and that the advantages of the grade and staple added to this, had made cotton sold by the Farm Bureau bring from \$7 to \$14 a bale over that paid by ordinary market. Members who had asked for advances on their cotton had been charged a reasonable rate of interest, while those who had not asked for loans had been given a like rate of interest on all amounts due, pending final adjustments.

It was stated that the faith and enthusiasm shown by such men as Nathan Adams, prominent Dallas banker who has not been sparing with his time and his money to make the Farm Bureau go, Carl Williams, of Oklahoma, who has been the leading promoter of the cotton marketing plan, and other leading business men, did much to banish all fear that the Farm Bureau might not succeed.

F. H. Pool, of Millican, delegate from Brazos county, stated that some counties were allowed two to three votes showing the membership to be more than two thousand in those counties, and that reports from those counties showed that the Farm Bureau had been functioning in a wonderful way, while Brazos county had been doing nothing at all. Charlie Merka, delegate from Smetana, stated that every community in the county ought to organize in order that the Farm Bureau in this county might not begin to function for the advantage and relief of our farmers.

Dr. W. E. Garnett, rural economist, A. and M. College, of Texas, and who had attended the state convention at Dallas, gave the meeting the advantage of his observations while at the convention and suggested that before attempting organization in this county a definite program of work be outlined. He offered the facilities of his department in furthering the organization work in this county, believing, in so doing, he would be helping the greatest farm organization that had ever before been launched.

A motion by Walter Armstrong of Tabor, carried that the county Farm Bureau officers, Charles Merka, J. L. Stasney, and John Rychlik, acting with District Agent A. W. Buchanan, Dr. W. E. Garnett, and County Agent C. L. Beason outline a program of work to be undertaken by the Farm Bureau in this county this year. This committee will meet at the county agent's office next Saturday at 2 p. m. for the purpose of outlining work as suggested.

Mr. A. K. Short, agronomist, Extension Service, A. and M. College, addressed the meeting, calling attention to the fact that farmers must not think that proper marketing of crops will allay all the ills of the farmer, that proper attention must be given to soil fertility, or building up the soil to a point where cultivation will be worth while and prosperity be possible.

Mr. Short declared that for a long time he did not understand what was meant by the "unpardonable sin," but after seeing man rob the virgin soil, which God had meant to give sustenance to all mankind, and in so doing rob generations yet unborn, he felt justifiable in placing this sin at the feet of him who wilfully and persistently robs the soil. He declared that the soil might be built up by proper rotation of crops in connection with live stock farming and in no other way might the farmer expect just reward for his labor upon the farm. He pointed to the red hills of Wisconsin which had been made profitable by rotation of crops and livestock farming, and declared that in this section of Texas have a greater opportunity for livestock farming than the farmers of cold Wisconsin. Mr. Short called attention to the fact the Texas Farm Bureau will place a man in the field to urge farmers concerning the importance of planting only one variety of cotton in each community. Mr. Short said no one could tell what particular variety would be best for a community till it was tried out.

Among those attending the meeting were: A. W. Stevenson, Kurten; C. A. Shram, Kurten; John Kosh, Benchley; Walter Armstrong, Tabor; Paul Holube, Kurten; A. P. Merka, Route 5; E. J. Boriskie, Route 3; W. H. George, Edge; R. J. Schovajsa, Wheelock; F. H. Pool, Millican; Ed Chylil, Edge; Henry Blazek, Wheelock; Fritz Severo, Benchley; Frank Kopec, Benchley; John Turek, Route 5; Frank Kree, Route 5; Mike Lamason, Route 5; Victor Todaro, Tony Todaro, Route 5; J. H. Wehrman, Smetana; Joe A. Scovajsa, Edge; J. O. Orr, Edge; J. J. Holik, Route 5; Joe Penick, Route 5; A. K. Short, A. W. Buchanan, A. W. Kinnard, Supt. Eck Smith, Lee J. Rountree, C. L. Beason of Bryan, Charlie Merka, of Smetana; J. L. Stasney, Route 3; Ed Curik, Wheelock and J. A. Rychlik, Wheelock.

Pay your poll taxes in Bryan by January 31. This will enable you to vote otherwise you will be disfranchised. Pay at City Hall.

SPEAKING AT KURTEN, RELIANCE, SMETANA, STEEP HOLLOW, TABOR

Mr. H. A. Clapp, prominent dairy farmer of College Port, Texas, doing special work in the Extension Service of the Texas Creamery Company, Houston, spent the past week with County Agent C. L. Beason to fill appointments made at Steep Hollow, Kurten, Reliance, Smetana, and Tabor. The inclement weather interfered with the success of the meetings at the first three named places, there being no attempt made to hold a meeting at Steep Hollow Monday night, and the attendance at Kurten and Reliance was small.

At Smetana, Thursday night, more than a hundred men, women, children listened with the closest attention for almost two hours to a splendid lecture on dairy farming and the essentials to be considered by any one who is interested in the dairy industry. Mr. Clapp paid his respects to the one crop cotton farmer by saying that he was no better than a "tin horn gambler," had never been successful over a period of years, and like all one crop farmers, would never reach prosperity like the farmer who diversified and kept the right kind of dairy cows on the farm to furnish an ample supply of wholesome milk for the family with always some to spare for the market in order that cream checks may be a constant source of revenue to help meet the expenses of the home and the farm. All lectures were illustrated by chart, each breed of the dairy cows being shown and the type and characteristics of each being pointed out in detail, some of the famous cows of the several dairy breeds being referred to, such as Bossie Ann of the Jerseys, Duchess Shylal: Ormsby of the Holsteins, and Murne Cowan of Guernseys. Of the many characteristics of the dairy cow, whatever the breed, Mr. Clapp pointed out that the three fundamentals should always be kept in mind—health, constitution and production. He declared that the way to begin to diversify was to own a cow, a sow, a hen, and a garden and to raise feed for the livestock and food for use in the home. Attention was called to the fact that the average cow in Texas produces from 87 to 90 pounds of butter fat per year, while "Old Sunlight," which he had just seen at A. and M. College, produced more than \$700 worth of milk and butter in one year after paying expenses. Mr. Clapp said that no farm mortgage has ever been foreclosed where as many as five productive dairy cows are kept. There was unusual interest at the Smetana meeting due, possibly, to the fact that County Agent Beason had offered a prize of one dollar to any boy or girl who would write the best story of the lecture by Mr. Clapp. Many boys and girls were observed taking notes getting ready for the contest which will close Friday, January 20. Mention of the winner will be made later.

The Tabor Meeting Successful. At Tabor Friday night in introducing Mr. Clapp to the Tabor people, County Agent Beason referred to the "China cow" as one which might be easily milked in a china cup, whereupon Miss Mary Locke, club leader for the Tabor boys and girls, objected to the term used, saying that it would be called the "pole-and-china" cow for the simple reason that she could be pushed up against a pole and milked in a china cup. County Agent Beason said that he thought it would be a reflection on the Poland China hog which had brought prosperity to many a farm and stripped gravy to many a hungry boy's hot biscuit. Of course, it must go as Miss Locke says. When woman speaks, all men obey. At the Tabor meeting Mr. Clapp read a letter from a man in Robertson county, where he had been lecturing last week, stating that the balanced ration he had mentioned in one of his lectures had been tried out and the results were highly satisfactory, the milk production being raised from eight pounds in the morning to 17 pounds and that he was confident that 34 pounds per day would be reached in a very few days. At each and every lecture Mr. Clapp called attention to the importance of a balanced ration for dairy cows, and suggested that the people use their county agent and specialists at the College in helping them make out a balanced ration for the greatest production of milk. It is hoped that other communities in the county may have, in the near future an opportunity of hearing Mr. Clapp, a practical dairy farmer, deliver his lecture on dairy farming in the South.

CROOKS GO SOUTH AND TROOPS GO NORTH

Quite strange scenes have been witnessed at Bryan and Hearn during the past two days. North bound passenger trains have conveyed quite a number of troops of the National Guard to Mexico to aid in the clean-up ordered by Governor Neff under martial law with General Wolters in charge. While these troops were going north many of the crooks, criminals, hijackers and thieves were coming south on passenger and freight trains. It is said that over 1,000 "undesirables" including men and women left Mexia when martial law was established. Several hundred passed through Bryan and 75 were arrested in Houston last night and this morning. The men and women are principally that class who went work at all.

ON TRIP TO WEST TEXAS.

Dr. W. B. Bizzell and Dr. B. Youngblood left Sunday on a tour of West Texas on matters pertaining to A. & M. College and the Texas Experiment Station. They will stop in San Antonio and then go to Pecos to visit the Experiment Station out there and will be away about a week at different points.

Freeman Killed By Officers in Raid in Madison County

Madisonville, Texas, Jan. 16.—Bill Freeman of Madison county was killed Saturday night. Sheriff B. Cobb and Deputies Ed Nance and R. B. Bain of Leon county engaged in a pistol fight with a band of men in the southern part of Leon county, near the Madison line. Deputy Sheriff Nance was hit in the hand by a buckshot, but none of the officers were seriously wounded. The officers surprised several men who were loading two barrels on a wagon in the woods. The officers ordered the men to throw up their hands, but they broke and ran, one of the men firing a shotgun at the officers as he ran. Freeman was killed instantly. Four men escaped, according to Sheriff Cobb. Freeman was a resident of the Mount Tabor community, Madison county. The two barrels of corn mash and a still, which was later confiscated, have been turned over to Federal Prohibition Officer Floyd. The raid, according to Sheriff Cobb, was the culmination of several night's surveillance of the woods to locate a still which it was thought had been producing a large amount of moonshine whisky in the county.

DELEGATES SELECTED TABOR SHORT COURSE RETAIL MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION OF BRYAN ELECTS 1922 OFFICERS

At the several meetings held last week in Brazos county in the interest of the dairy industry, or better cows on the farm, delegates were selected to attend the Tabor Short Course February 3-4. At Smetana the community selected Charlie Merka, J. J. Holik and Fred Wehrman. At Edge, S. P. Moore and Mrs. Mae Stevener Wilson were selected as delegates. Delegates from other communities will be named in the near future. Everybody is invited to attend, but it will be the duty of the delegates to make report of the short course to their respective communities.

A meeting of all committees appointed on Mr. G. W. Anstrand's recent visit to the county, will be held at Tabor high school Wednesday, January 18, at 3 p. m. Everything possible is being done to make the short course not only a great treat, but also a mighty factor for a better agriculture in Brazos county. Mr. H. A. Clapp, who has been lecturing in the interest of better dairy cows on the farms of Brazos county, paid a very high tribute to Mr. Mobley who is to be one of the leading lecturers at the short course, saying that he had been intimately associated with Mr. Mobley and had always found him not only a most affable gentleman, but a man of broad experience and extensive knowledge.

S. C. WISNIEWSKI, BRYAN, DIES IN HOUSTON

S. C. Wisniewski, of Bryan, died Sunday in Houston of heart trouble, and the remains were shipped here on the noon train Monday. The funeral services will be conducted by Father J. B. Gleissner Wednesday morning, at 10 o'clock at St. Joseph's Catholic church with interment immediately following at the Smetana cemetery. Wisniewski was 68 years of age at the time of his death, he was a native of Poland but came to Brazos county when a young man. He leaves several sons and daughters in Brazos county as follows: John, Charles, Lewis and Theodore, a stepson, Stephan, and Mrs. B. P. Konecny, Mrs. Tony Chianetta and Miss Frances. Another son, V. H., of St. Paul, Minn., is expected to arrive in time for the funeral. The other sons, Stiney, of Goose Creek, and Will, of Houston, at whose home the father died are already in Bryan with the stricken family.

MR. AND MRS. STEPHAN RETURN

Mr. and Mrs. George Stephan returned yesterday from a six weeks pleasure trip through the East, visiting Chicago, Detroit, Niagara Falls, New York, Philadelphia and returning by Washington, D. C. and New Orleans. Mr. and Mrs. Stephan spent the Christmas holidays in New York City and have many interesting things to say of the razzle dazzle of the New Year Eve celebration. They also had the exhilarating experience of a big snow storm and sleighing in Washington, D. C. which are so thrilling to the people of the south who seldom see the beautiful snow in quantity. While every moment of the time was enjoyable, yet Mr. and Mrs. Stephan are happy to be back home and among their friends in Bryan.

RUDOLPH J. HOUEK DIES IN HOSPITAL IN BRYAN

Rudolph J. Houdek, a former resident of Burleson county, near Caldwell, died Thursday afternoon at 2:45 at the Bryan Hospital. The remains were shipped by the McCulloch-Gordon Co. to Caldwell at 12:25 last night for interment Friday afternoon in the Caldwell Catholic cemetery. Mr. Houdek was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Houdek, was 19 years of age, and was born and reared near Caldwell. His brother, Albert Jr., was with him at the time of his death and accompanied the remains from Bryan.

Messrs. George J. Nedbalek, J. L. Edge, C. A. Harris and P. P. Cooper have returned from Houston where there made an important business trip in the interest of the Automatic Shoe Polishing Machine Company.

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